

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Vacancy Announcement Number: NEGE05996572OC

Opening Date: December 23, 2005

Closing Date: June 23, 2006

First CutOff Date: January 23, 2006

Position: Water Treatment Plant Operator, WG-5409-8-10/FPL: 10

Salary: \$19.09 - \$24.82 Hourly

Place of Work: U.S. Army Engineer District, Baltimore, Washington Aqueduct, Plant Operations Branch, Dalecarlia Water Operations Section

Duty Station: Washington, DC

Position Status: This is a Permanent position. -- Full Time

Number of Vacancies: 2

Duties: You will be responsible for the operation & understanding of functions performed by the plant Supervisory Control & Data Acquisition (SCADA) system including control, monitoring & data storage. You will determine treatment/operational changes needed to remain within regulatory limits of purity, chemical requirements, & water production needs. You will analyze present & anticipated raw water quality, evaluate test results, & change chemical feed & filtration rates to keep operations within established limits. You will use experience, lab results, established water quality targets, & instrumentation to determine the amount of chemicals to dose in either the pre or post treatment stages. You will maintain proper elevation through the treatment process by operating master gates, monitoring elevations, & coordinating filtration rates. You will be responsible for record logs of all readings, chemical test results, & changes in the treatment process.

About the Position: The Washington Aqueduct, while a part of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, is a large scale, vital public utility, wholly financed through the sale of potable water. This job provides the opportunity to work at one of the largest water utilities in the nation, serving the public & producing a product which impacts the lives of all metropolitan area citizens & businesses on a daily basis. To be successful in this position, you will need to commit yourself to the Aqueducts mission of providing safe, reliable & cost effective water.

The SCADA system assists in control of the water treatment process, the pumping & transmission system, & the electrical distribution system. Examples of some of the specific items controlled are chemical feeds to raw & treated water, the operation of three pumping stations that transmit raw & finished water, electrical demand for the entire complex, & the elevation control of numerous raw & finished water reservoirs.

Who May Apply:

- Veterans eligible under Veterans Employment Opportunities Act of 1998. (VEOA)
- Interagency Career Transition Assistance Plan (ICTAP) eligibles.
- Defense Civilian Intelligence Personnel System (DCIPS) eligibles.
- All Federal employees serving on a career or career-conditional appointment.
- Department of Defense employees serving on a Career or Career Conditional Appointment.
- Army employees serving on career or career conditional appointments.
- Reinstatement eligibles.
- NAF/AAFES Interchange Agreement eligibles.

Qualifications:

All applications & self-nominations received by the initial cut-off date will receive first consideration. Subsequent cut-off dates will be made as vacancies occur.

Candidates will be evaluated on their ability to perform the duties of a Water Treatment Plant Operator, rather than length of experience. Eligibility will be determined by the relevance, scope, & quality of all experience & training, regardless of where or how acquired. The items below should be addressed within the context of the resume. 1. Ability to do the work of the position without more than normal supervision. (screen-out element) 2. Knowledge/operation of Water Treatment Plant Processes, Equipment, & Repair. 3. Knowledge of technical practices in Water Treatment Plant Operation (theoretical, precise, artistic). 4. Use of measuring instruments. 5. Ability to interpret instructions, specifications, etc., (other than blueprints). 6. Dexterity & safety.

KSAs are not used. Applicants will be rated against the Resumix Job Search Criteria which is chosen by the selecting official.

SELECTIVE PLACEMENT FACTOR: WG-08: Candidate is required to possess & maintain certification with the Association of Boards of Certification (ABC) as a Class I Water Treatment Plant Operator -OR- possess an equivalent certification. WG-10: Candidate is required to possess & maintain certification with the ABC as a Class II Water Treatment Plant Operator -OR- possess an equivalent certification. If a candidate with an equivalent certification is selected, the candidate, depending on the grade selected at, must be able to pass the ABC Class I or II certification within 9 months from hiring date.

APPLICANTS MUST STATE IN THEIR RESUMES THAT THEY POSSESS A CLASS I OR II OR EQUIVALENT CERTIFICATION IN ORDER TO RECEIVE CONSIDERATION.

RELATED INFORMATION: Pre-employment & annual physicals are required. **Must be able to wear a Class A emergency response suit with Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA).

PHYSICAL EFFORT: Requires considerable walking & standing on concrete floors, climbing stairs & ladders. Light to moderate effort to turn valves & controls. Lifts up to 40 pounds without assistance, & occasionally lifts & carries heavier items with assistance from other workers.

WORKING CONDITIONS: Works indoors & occasionally outside for short periods. Exposed to constant noise, rotating machinery, dirt, grease, chemicals, oil, & fumes in the work area. Also subject to cuts, abrasions, & burns from the use of tools, equipment, & chemicals. In addition, will work on catwalks & ladders. Must observe safety procedures & use all appropriate safety equipment.

Other Information:

- Management may select at any of the grade levels announced.
- The Department of Defense (DoD) policy on employment of annuitants issued March 18, 2004 will be used in determining eligibility of annuitants. The DoD policy is available on http://www.cpms.osd.mil/fas/staffing/pdf/rem_ann.pdf
- Noncompetitive promotion potential to target grade.
- To successfully claim veteran's preference, your resume/supplemental data must clearly show your entitlement. Please review the information listed under the Other Requirements link on this announcement or review our on-line Job Application Kit.
- Permanent Change of Station (PCS) expenses are not authorized.

Other Advantages: Ample free parking is provided on site and at all job locations. Bus service is also available. Work schedules vary depending on the position.

<http://washingtonaqueduct.nab.usace.army.mil/>

Other Requirements:

- Must be able to obtain and maintain a Top Secret security clearance.
- Must comply with Drug Abuse Testing Program requirements.
- You will be required to provide proof of U.S. Citizenship.
- License/Certification: Valid state drivers license required.
- Failure to provide all of the required information as stated in the vacancy announcement may result in an ineligible rating or may affect the overall rating.
- Male applicants born after December 31, 1959 must complete a Pre-Employment Certification Statement for Selective Service Registration.

- Direct Deposit of Pay is Required.
- Position requires employee to wear a uniform and/or protective clothing.

HOW TO APPLY:

This position will be filled from the Army Centralized Resumix database using an automated recruitment and referral system. Your resume must be on file with the Army Centralized Resumix database. If you have a resume on file with the Army Centralized Resumix database, you may apply by taking advantage of our quick self-nomination process. If you do not have a resume on file with the Army Centralized Resumix database, you must submit one along with the self-nomination. Both documents must be received in the Resumix database by the closing date of the announcement unless specifically stated in the instructions contained in this vacancy announcement.

RESUME:

If you do not have a resume on file with the Army Centralized Resumix database, you must submit one. It is strongly encouraged that you use the Army Resume Builder. The Army Resume Builder can be accessed by clicking on the link at the end of this vacancy announcement. It can also be found on the Internet at <http://www.cpol.army.mil>, click on Employment, click on Army's Resume Builder. The Army Resume Builder is used to create and store your resume. You do this by selecting Save Resume to Database. In order to receive consideration for vacancies, however, you must submit your resume to the Centralized Resumix database by going to the email page, selecting Central Database and clicking on the Submit button. Your resume will automatically flow into the Centralized Resumix database.

We prefer that you use our resume builder to create and submit your resume electronically. However, if you do not desire to use the Army Resume Builder, you may submit your resume to our Central Resume Processing Center using other means by scrolling to the end of this page and clicking on the Job Application Kit link for instructions. Please follow the instructions in our Job Application Kit to create your resume and assure that all of the required information is provided. The Job Application Kit can also be found on the Internet at <http://cpol.army.mil/employ/jobkit>

NOTE: Unless specifically stated in the vacancy announcement, do not submit documentation supporting your status/eligibility when submitting your resume. However, you may be asked to submit the documentation if you are selected. Resumes must be received by the closing date of this announcement.

SELF NOMINATION:

You may self-nominate at any time during an open period of a vacancy announcement. If your resume is currently in our central database, you may Self-Nominate by going to the CPOL/CPOC Vacancy Announcement Board

<http://cpolrhp.army.mil/ner/index.html>, key (or cut and paste) the announcement number into the Search - Announcement field (found at the bottom of the page), click on GET ANNOUNCEMENT, then follow link within THAT announcement to self nominate.

If you wish to submit your self-nomination another way, go to The Army Job Application Kit web site (<http://cpol.army.mil/employ/jobkit>) and follow instructions provided.

Self-nomination must be submitted by the closing date.

APPLICANT NOTIFICATION SYSTEM WEB-ENABLED RESPONSE (ANSWER):

To check the status of your resume and self-nominations you may go to <http://www.cpol.army.mil>, click on Employment, and click on ANSWER.

Point of Contact:

Central Resume Processing Center, 410-306-0137, aplicanthelp@cpsrxtp.belvoir.army.mil

THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

Applicants will receive appropriate consideration without regard to non-merit factors such as race, color, religion, sex, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation except where specifically authorized by law, age, politics or disability which do not relate to successful performance of the duties of this position. Otherwise qualified applicants with disabilities who need reasonable accommodation may notify the agency Point of Contact on this announcement of their need.

SELECTION FOR THIS POSITION IS SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS RESULTING FROM DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE REFERRAL SYSTEM FOR DISPLACED EMPLOYEES.